November 20, 1984

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FROM:

Steve Cox, Reclamation Biologist

RE:

Iron Mountain Ore Company, DOE/021/007, Iron County,

Utah

On November 16, 1984, Tom Munson and Steve Cox were met on site by Mr. Carlyle Johnson, Iron Mountain Ore Company (IMOC). The Company is in the process of constructing a crushing and screening plant adjacent to the Blowout Pit in Township 37 South, Range 14 West, Section 2. A building has been erected and crushers and associated equipment will soon be installed. A small stockpile of iron ore boulders has been collected. Processing of the ore is scheduled to begin by November 26, 1984.

The operation will consist of selectively extracting iron ore boulders of approximately 200-800 lbs from waste piles, crushing them and shipping the crushed ore to the Nevada Test Site. They currently have a short-term test contract with the Department of Energy. If IMOC goes into full operation, they will need 5,000 tons of crushed ore per year for the contract. No other contracts have been secured at this time.

The usable iron ore boulders will be gathered from waste rock piles associated with the Blowout Pit owned by CF&I Steel Corporation. The remaining waste will be regraded. No plans for reclamation of the regraded waste piles have been submitted.

Disturbance is less than two acres and entirely on previously disturbed areas which were never reclaimed. Therefore, no degradation of the area is expected.

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cc: Mary Boucek

Tom Munson

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